



Bulletin

AN INFORMATION SERVICE OF THE CHICAGO VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

2007 Officers Installed at January Meeting

The 2007 CVMA officers were officially installed at the January 10 General Membership Meeting, held at Hamburger University in Oak Brook, Illinois.

At the luncheon ceremony, 2006 President, Dr. Jack Brar, offered a recap of the year's activities before officially "turning over the gavel" to incoming 2007 President, Dr. Kathleen Heneghan. In addition to Dr. Heneghan, the remaining officers were acknowledged as follows: Dr. Shannon Greeley, President-Elect; Dr. Yuval Nir, Treasurer; and Dr. Elizabeth Robertson, Secretary.



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The 2007 CVMA Executive Board is as follows:

Kathleen Heneghan, DVM, President
Shannon Greeley, DVM, President-Elect
Elizabeth Robertson, DVM, Secretary
Yuval Nir, DVM, Treasurer
Jack Brar, DVM, Past President



Dr. Jack Brar swears in Dr. Kathleen Heneghan as CVMA President

March CE Addresses Oncology & Hematology



Guillermo Couto, DVM, DACVIM

Dr. Guillermo Couto will present an update on clinically relevant aspects of hematology, oncology and hemostasis at the CVMA's March 14 CE Seminar. Topics will range from chemotherapy and metastatic neoplasia to "why is this dog bleeding?" Interesting cases will be featured as part of the presentation.

Dr. Couto is a 1976 graduate of the Buenos

Aires University, Argentina. He is currently a professor in the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences at The Ohio State University. Dr. Couto is the recipient of several distinguished awards from the College, including the College of Veterinary Medicine Faculty Recognition Award, Graduate Resident Class of 1990, and the Clinical Teaching Award, Class of 1991. He is also the Editor-In-Chief of the Journal of

Veterinary Internal Medicine.

The seminar begins at 8:00 am, with registration starting at 7:30 am, and will be held at Hamburger University on the McDonald's Campus in Oak Brook.

To pre-register, please call the CVMA Office at (630) 325-1231 by **Friday, March 9.**

2006 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS & STAFF*Kathleen Heneghan, DVM, President**Shannon Greeley, DVM, President-Elect**Elizabeth Robertson, DVM, Secretary**Yuval Nir, DVM, Treasurer**Jack Brar, DVM, Past President**Norm Bloch, Attorney-at-Law**Susan Morris, Executive Director**Suzanne Egan, Assistant Director***2007 Committees**

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President's Thoughts

Dr. Kathleen A. Heneghan

I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. If we have not yet met, I hope that this year will change that. As a native Chicagoan and a 1994 University of Wisconsin veterinary school graduate, I am still trying to put faces to the names I've heard all of these years. Please, do not be afraid to introduce yourself! In this way, I hope to gain the feedback I need to continue to move the CVMA in a forward direction.

As for the life story, suffice it to say that veterinary medicine was and is my one and only career choice. I consider myself truly fortunate to do such rewarding work. I've been in practice long enough now that I am running senior panels on the puppies and kittens I saw back in 1994. Since then, I've developed a wonderful client base that constantly reminds me why I chose this profession. In fact, when they found out that I would become CVMA president this year, I received numerous phone calls and cards just to say "congratulations!"

"Why are you active in the CVMA?" My answers have changed over the years. At Wisconsin, we were encouraged and expected to be active in organized veterinary medicine, starting with SCAVMA. I joined the CVMA the same year my boss, Dr. Larry Fox, was president. Since he paid for my membership, it was an easy way for me, as a "foreign" graduate, to get to know more of my peers. Dr. Marla Minuskin followed as the first female president of the CVMA in 1995. She surveyed all of us that year. Being fresh out of school, I was only happy to fill out this evaluation quite thoroughly! Marla asked me to be part of her CVMA Planning Committee based on my answers and I got to work with a fine group of people who went on to become CVMA presidents themselves.

A few years later, I was asked to be on the Executive Board. Since that point, I have been active in the CVMA because I wanted to have a say in the direction it would take. We've had quite a few changes in the last two years, but I feel that we are in a great period of renewal. The profession has changed and we as a group are evolving with the times. It is exciting to think of the progress we can make if we strengthen this community we've built. It is time to get back to the basics and focus on what our members need from us. I hope that you all will come to value your CVMA membership as much as I do.

I know I'll have a full plate this year, but I'm up to the challenge. I would like to thank Dr. Jack Brar for his hard work in 2006, including our first ever Diversity Forum, as well as his diligent efforts for many years prior to his presidency. His work ethic is one I will aim to emulate during this year and beyond. I look forward to working with many of the past presidents to help me plan for the future of our great organization. I've been giving the CVMA my two cents for years now! I hope you will follow my lead and tell us how we can better serve you, our members.

Dr. Kathleen A. Heneghan

From the Director's Desk

Susan Morris, Executive Director

It is truly hard to believe, but we are already almost two full months into the new year. By now, we have all recovered from the hectic holiday season and have settled back into our regular routines.

Here at the CVMA Office, we are busy completing the 2007 dues solicitation and member database update. On behalf of the staff and the Association's Board of Directors, I'd like to thank all of our members for their renewed interest in the Association and for their prompt response to our new dues renewal format. As with any process, there is always room for

improvement, and we welcome your commentary, but feel we are definitely on the way to improving our member database, as well as expediting the dues renewal process.

Our goal is to enrich our database, keeping it as accurate and up-to-date as possible in order to best serve our membership. For this reason, we ask that you alert us at the office of any changes in your membership information – be it your name, address, e-mail, etc. A benefit of CVMA membership is the communication and information shared by the Association. In order to

facilitate this process, and keep our members "connected," the accuracy of our database is essential.

So, while the formal update process is complete and we are all back to our daily work flow, please remember to make the CVMA Office aware of any changes in your data by e-mailing the office at cvma@chicagocvma.org or via fax (630) 325-4043. This way, you can be sure to receive all CVMA communications in a timely manner.

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Highlights: October 2006 Executive Board Meeting

The Executive Board Meeting of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association was called to order on Tuesday, October 17, 2006, at 8:00 pm by President, Dr. Jack Brar.

Secretary's Report: Dr. Shannon Greeley presented the minutes from the September 19, 2006, Executive Board Meeting.

Motion made, seconded and passed for the approval of the September Executive Board Meeting minutes.

Treasurer Report: Dr. Yuval Nir presented the board with a recommendation to approve the selection of Dugan and Lopatka as the Association's new accounting firm.

Motion made, seconded and passed for the approval of switching accounting firms pending review and approval of the firm by Association council, Norm Bloch.

Committee Reports:

Membership - Dr. Elizabeth Robertson presented the following doctors for membership in the Association: Joe DeMoor, Michael L. Biehl, Lauren S. Schairer, Stacia Volbrecht, Amanda Schnitker, Derrick J. Landini, Will Sutkay and Dolores Shine.

Motion made, seconded and passed for the acceptance of the doctors for presentation before the General Membership at the December 13, 2006, General Membership meeting.

Motion made, seconded and passed for adjournment of the Meeting at 9:39 pm.

Complimentary Finance Lecture Date Changed

The CVMA will host a finance lecture at our headquarters in Hinsdale on **Wednesday, February 21, 2007, at 8 pm**. Certified financial advisor Phil Dover from National City Bank will present the first of a two-part lecture series.

Lecture 1) personal investing/retirement
Lecture 2) first-time business ownership

Mr. Dover will cover retirement investing (IRA, 401K, annuities), taxable investing (mutual funds vs. indexes), life insurance (term vs. others), and disability insurance. A representative from the AVMA will be available to assist with further insurance inquiries.

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2007 CVMA Winter Gala

The CVMA's 2007 Winter Gala was held on January 20 at Petterino's Restaurant in Chicago. The evening featured dinner, dancing and a silent auction to benefit a scholarship fund for University of Illinois veterinary students. In addition, 2007 CVMA board members were sworn in by President Dr. Kathleen Heneghan.

More than 90 CVMA members, their guests and sponsors attended the event, which raised nearly \$3,000 for the veterinary scholarship fund.



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Historian Column

JANUARY 14, 1947

Dr. Raymond Wise, Historian

The meeting of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association was called to order by President Trader at 9:00. The roll-call was postponed until time for balloting.

Dr. Young introduced Dr. M. A. Emerson, Department of Veterinary Obstetrics and Radiology, Iowa State College. Dr. Young stressed that Dr. Emerson is a pioneer in the field of veterinary radiology, that he had previously been on the staff of the University of Pennsylvania, and at the present time is with the staff at Iowa State College.

Dr. Emerson showed a great many interesting slides of patients he had treated with X-ray therapy. He showed us the indications for and results from X-ray treatments in cattle, dogs and birds. In spite of the fact that little of it could be directly applied to our work, he held the attention of the audience throughout his discussion. His good sense of humor only added to the feeling

that he knew his subject extremely well. Following discussion he answered some questions from the floor. Dr. Lacroix expressed his belief that the tumors of the perianal region of dogs, especially those involving the anal glands, were of low malignancy. Dr.

Emerson also thought they were of low malignancy but there was some variation between the measurement of such malignancies.

The question of measuring the sensitivity of a tissue to radioactivity was brought up. Dr. Emerson said that in animals there was no sensitivity tests as there is for humans. Dr. Emerson stressed the importance of the veterinarian protecting his body from the dangers of X-ray burns. He told of various attempts to sterilize the bitch by X-ray and the treatment of prostatitis by X-ray. There apparently is little danger of sterilizing a male dog by X-ray.

Dr. Emerson's discussion showed that it is economic to treat dairy cattle for Actinomyces even though the lesion may not be entirely cured. He invited Illinois veterinarians to send any animals they wish to

Ames for treatment and quoted reasonable prices for such treatment. Dr. Trader thanked Dr. Emerson for his splendid talk and Dr. Emerson received a good hand of applause from the members.

Following Dr. Emerson's discussion there followed the election of officers by written ballot. As Dr. Skala had been previously accepted as president the following officers were elected:

Vice President:
Dr. W. A. Young

Secy-Treas.:
Dr. Robert Glover

Board of Censors:
Dr. Hardenbergh
Dr. J. K. Bone
Dr. R. J. Cyrog

As there was no unfinished nor new business. Dr. Skala entertained a motion for adjournment. Dr. Cyrog moved and Dr. Glover seconded the motion. It was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert C. Glover,
Secy-Treas.



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Cook County Animal Control will sponsor a spay/neuter program in February 2007. The program is limited to two pets per household and the pets must reside in Cook County. All pets must have current rabies vaccinations. Private hospitals will receive a \$40 rebate for each spay/neuter. Shelters will receive a \$20 rebate. For further information, contact Cook County Animal Control at (708) 974-6140.

Member Contributions Recognized by CVMA

The January 10 General Membership Meeting, held at Hamburger University in Oak Brook, was the scene of a special recognition ceremony that honored the service of some of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association's most dedicated members. President, Jack Brar, presented the following service awards to these deserving members and volunteers for their "dedicated service and leadership in the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association":

Merit Award – Dr. Michele Gaspar

Lifetime Merit Award – Dr. Ronald Kolar

President's Service Award – Dr. Anthony Kremer

Special Award – Dr. Yuval Nir

Certificate of Life Membership – Dr. Andreas Wurzer



Dr. Ron Kolar

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Dean Herb Whiteley



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3. A Chicago presence: Our long-standing Zoologic Pathology Program and our new lab animal

diagnostic service will likely be components of our initiative to establish a facility in the Chicago medical district near the University's Chicago campus. Other aspects may include a primary care teaching facility and select specialty referral practice. We have already begun talking with many of you in Chicago to learn how we can best serve you.

4. New facilities: Growth in our program in Urbana requires expansions and renovations. We have put together a plan for new teaching and hospital facilities to meet our needs over the next 20 years and move us toward our vision of being recognized as a top program in veterinary and biomedical research and education.

5. Center for One Medicine. Our College is taking the lead in proposing a new University-wide program that would provide science-based information to public health policy makers and educate professionals prepared to address both the animal and human dimensions of

emerging public health issues.

Your support for the College of Veterinary Medicine—through mentoring students, linking us to new partners, referring patients, making financial contributions, and more—will be crucial to our success. I welcome your feedback on these plans.

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- Professional enrichment and communication
- Quality continuing education
- Dissemination of information to the public
- Promoting the health and well being of animals

OUR VISION:

The membership of the CVMA is dedicated to the health and well being of animals through its nurturing of the human animal bond. The CVMA will strive to fulfill the diversified needs of its members by providing nationally recognized CE programs, cultivating membership involvement, and offering innovative member services and public awareness.